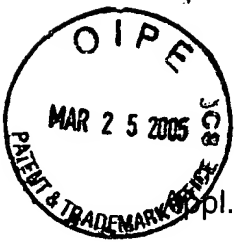


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Applicant : M. Francis Botts *et al.*
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111.

Dear Sir:

This is filed in response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2004, and is believed to be timely in view of the shortened statutory period for response as set forth in the Office Action and the Petition for an Extension of Time of One Month, and the appropriate fee, which are enclosed with this Response.

There are no **Amendments to the specification.**

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

There are no **Amendments to the Drawings.**

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6.